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I personally do not know any Soviet officer nor do I know any Polish officer above the grade of Sub-Lieutenant. The Polish population refrains from having contact with either one or the other. Sub-Lieutenants and Lieutenants are still considered as Poles, the others are treated with distrust and fear in spite of their Polish nationality. I know that Marshal Rokossovsky and the entire Polish General Staff as well as the officers from the rank of Lt Colonel up are Soviets, at least in their overwhelming majority. Most frequently they have Polish names and are of Polish extraction but at the present time they have nothing in common with the Polish people.

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According to the general opinion in Poland, the Soviets have no confidence in the Polish Army. They don't want it to get too strong and too large. As a Polish armed force in Poland there are doubtlessly about 400 thousand Milice agents and Security officers. But in the Army as such there are according to my information no more than 150 thousand men and this number comprises the Internal Security Corps (KEW) and the Border protection units (WOP). Without any doubt, the Soviets anticipate that the Polish soldiers could very well turn against them in the event of war with the Western powers. On the occasion of a military parade in Warsaw, several hundred tanks from two to 60 tons filed past the stands, also multiple-barrel guns which gained fame during World War II by the name of "Katusza" etc. It appears that Polish aviation is well equipped but still operates under Soviet command (control).

It is the general view that the Soviets have absolutely no faith in the masses of the Polish population as far as loyalty to the Soviets is concerned. The Soviets have absolute faith in a Mister Bierut and a thousand other Soviet agents in Poland especially since they know that the future of these traitors is inseparably bound to the fate of Soviet might. However, I do not know whether there have been changes of late in the attitude of the Soviets towards the Polish government, that is, in correlation to the recent defections of Poles in 1953.

Since it is an open secret I know that every year a large number of Polish Communist officers are sent to the USSR but how many I do not know.

The soldiers see the Soviet officers and know perfectly well that they direct the organization of the Polish Army but personally they have nothing to do with them since their commanders are junior officers of Polish nationality.

I know only that the Air Force is completely under Soviet command.

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